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— OF THE —  
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**METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH**  
— CONVENED AT —  
**JONESBORO, LA., OCTOBER 20-22, 1933**

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Next session to convene at Grayson, La., Friday, 10:00  
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October, 1934.

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Opening Sermon by Rev. E. O. Hearne

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## OUR SAINTED DEAD

### These All Died in the Faith

“Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth. Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them.”

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### MINISTERS

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Year	Name	Address
1897	Brown, G. J. L.	Bail, La.
1898	Hearne, E. O.	Chatham, La.
1901	Bartlett, M. E.	Phoenix, Arizona
1902	Shows, F. Lyman	Pollick, La.
1903	Dunn, W. S.	Glenella, La.
1903	Reid, J. F.	Winnfield, La.
1904	Perdue, Mary E.	Atlanta, Texas
1905	Lewis, J. H.	Winnfield, La.
1907	Holt, J. A.	Atlanta, Texas
1910	Lee, J. W.	Columbia, La.
1910	Downs, J. R.	West Monroe, La.
1912	Griffin, B. F.	Chatham, La.
1912	Wardlow, Lula	Montgomery, La.
1917	Strozier, James R.	Ball, La.
1921	Yeager, Ira L.	Monroe, La.
1917	Strozier, John M.	Jena, La.
1915	Cantley, H. H.	Jerome, Ark.
1920	Ragsdale, W. F.	Simmsboro, La.
1924	Walker, Richard M.	Jonesboro, La.
1921	McVey, G. A.	Montgomery, La.
1923	Kendrick, Bessie	Jena, La.
1910-27	Rockhold, G. W.	Jonesboro, La.
1898-1927	Patton, I. A.	West Monroe, La.
1928	Waller, W. T.	Dodson, La.
1929	Lee, Morris	Queen City, Texas
1931	Hearne, R. H.	Chatham, La.
1931	Hearne, F. L., 207 Coleman Ave.,	W. Monroe, La.
1931	Ramsey, Ola	Chatham, La.
1932	Blackburn, J. B.	Homer, La., R. F. D. No. 3
1932	Grant, Edwin H.	Grayson, La.
1932	LaCroix, H. E.	Tioga, La.
1933	Luther A. Boddie	Pollock, La.
1933	Jones, James A.	Pineville, La.
1933	Cotton, C. J. T.	Goldonna, La.
1933	Corley, E. W.	Downsville, La.

# UNDER GRADUATES

## Third Year

Paul Durbin ..... Eros, La., Rt. 2

## Second Year

Ezell Garlington ..... Jena, La.

Jack Wiggins ..... Grayson, La.

## First Year

Charles Moore ..... Athens, La.

Tommie E. Strickland ..... Pioneer, La.

# SUPERANNUATED

W. M. Platt ..... Columbia, La.

J. A. Riley ..... Trout, La.

E. A. Dennard ..... Gibbsland, La.

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J. A. D. Williams ..... Jefferson, Texas

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Place	Name	Address
Monroe	W. W. McDonald	Monroe, La.
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Ansley	T. E. Terry	Ansley, La.
Chatham	J. T. Head	Chatham, La.
Kelly	Ira Banks	Kelly, La.
Jena	Mrs. Ora McCarroll	Jena, La.
Dodson	C. H. Rushing	Dodson, La.
Jonesboro	P. C. Thomas	Jonesboro, La.
Pine Grove	C. L. Salsbury	
Urania	Mrs. J. W. Ramsey	Urania, La.
Winnfield	Mrs. Nesa Smith	Winnfield, La.
Queen City	Mrs. Jess Sanders	Atlanta, Texas
Heflin	Jack Standfield	Heflin, La.
Summer Seat	R. C. Lowry	
Evergreen	Mrs. J. N. Harris	Goldonna, La.
Colfax	G. W. Grant	Colfax, La.
Strickland	Bosie Sanson	Pollock, La.
Bentley	W. B. Jordan	Bentley, La.
Hicks	J. T. Montgomery	Montgomery, La.
Mt. Nebo	W. H. Holman	Choudcant, La.
New Hope	B. E. Gaar	Dodson, La.
Campbell	Mrs. A. R. Campbell	Pioneer, La.
Grayson	Mrs. T. F. Seiler	Grayson, La.

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B. E. Gaar  
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G. J. L. Brown  
J. A. Holt  
M. E. Camp

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Edwin H. Grant  
Ira L. Yeager  
F. Lyman Shows

## DAILY PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## Eighty-Seventh Annual Conference

The Eighty-Seventh Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church began its session in the Methodist Protestant Church at Jonesboro, Louisiana, on the 20th day of October, 1933, at 10:00 A. M. The President of the annual conference, Rev. F. Lyman Shows, being in the chair.

The following devotional service was entered into. The entire conference body joined in singing that wonderful old song "Blest Be The Tie That Binds Our Hearts In Christian Love."

The president read the fourth chapter of 1st Thes., and engaged in earnest prayer, after which he declared the conference opened for business.

Rev. J. S. Henley, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, delivered the welcome address which carried with it inspiration and confidence. This address was fittingly responded to by Rev. Ira L. Yeager, our pastor at Monroe, La.

Several special songs were sung by Rev. Morris Lee and wife.

The roll of the conference was read by the secretary.

Upon motion the conference bar was fixed to extend to the rear of the fourth window and all visiting ministers were invited to an honorary seat.

At this time the conference stood with bowed heads while the secretary called the names of our honored dead.

Because of the tragic death of our beloved Omer W. Stewart, Rev. Edwin H. Grant, who was elected to preach the opening sermon (being a relative of the deceased) could not be present. A motion prevailed that the order of the day be dispensed with and that the opening sermon be delivered by Rev. Edwin H. Grant, Saturday evening.

Upon motion the reading of the president's report was postponed until after the committee on credentials submitted their report.

Upon the motion of Rev. G. J. L. Brown the 2:30 p. m. hour was sacredly set apart to be spent in a service dedicated to the memory of Rev. Omer W. Stewart, whose funeral would be conducted at Pollock, La., at the same hour.

The secretary read the names of the various committees appointed by the president.

Upon motion Rev. J. A. Holt was appointed chairman of the committee on pastor's report.



Motion prevailed granting an absentee vote to the several members of the conference who would be absent attending the funeral of O. W. Stewart.

Upon motion the time for the conference to assemble was fixed at 8:30 A. M. and 1:30 P. M.

Announcements were made by the president, the benediction pronounced and the conference adjourned.

### First Day Afternoon Session

Conference re-assembled promptly at 1:30 P. M. Devotionals by Rev. J. W. Lee.

The roll was called and corrected.

Committee on Itinerancy and Orders submitted their report which was adopted.

Committee on Credentials submitted their report which was adopted.

Committee on Itinerancy and Orders submitted report which was adopted.

At this time Rev. Ira L. Yeager was called to the chair and the president read his report which was adopted.

Rev. J. F. Reid, J. A. Holt and H. H. Cantley reported verbally and their reports adopted.

Secretary read a report from Rev. John M. Strozier which was adopted.

Committee on Temperance submitted report which was adopted.

Rev. Ola Ramsey submitted report which was adopted.

Upon motion Rev. E. A. Dennard was superannuated.

Upon motion the names of Rev. James C. Hearn and Omer W. Stewart were transferred to the roll of our honored dead.

At this time the conference adjourned for 30 minutes in honor of our Omer W. Stewart whose funeral was being conducted at the same time and a touching service was entered into by the conference body.

Revs. C. A. Calhoun and Washington Cook, members of the Arkansas Conference, were introduced and given honorary seats.

The order of the day having arrived the conference entered into the election of officers.

The president appointed W. W. McDonald, F. L. Hearn and B. F. Griffin, tellers of the election.

The election of officers were announced as follows:

Rev. F. Lyman Shows, president.

Rev. Mary Ellon Perdue, secretary.

Rev. Ira L. Yeager, treasurer.

Rev. Luther A. Boddie, statistician.

The standing district committee remains the same with two exceptions: Joel G. Smith and Rev. B. F. Griffin were the two new members elected.

The same Board of Church Extension was elected.

Upon motion Rev. J. W. Lee was elected to serve three years on the Committee of Itinerancy and Orders.

Upon motion Rev. J. R. Strozier was elected to serve 2 years on the Board of Young Peoples' Council of Christian Education.

Committee on By-Laws and Rules of Order gave notice of change of Section 15 in the By-Laws.

Adjourned.

Rev. Edwin H. Grant preached the opening sermon of the conference to a large and appreciate congregation at the evening hour.

### **First Day Night Session**

Conference called to order by the president.

Committee on Finance submitted report which was adopted.

Committee on Periodicals submitted report which was adopted.

Motion prevailed to adjourn.

### **Second Day Morning Session**

Conference called to order by the President.

Devotionals by Rev. Tommie Strickland. Prayer was offered by Rev. Ira L. Yeager.

The roll was called and corrected. Minutes of the first day's session were read and adopted.

The report of Rev. Mary E. Bartlett, Supt. of the Florence Crittenton Mission, Phoenix, Arizona, was read and adopted.

Upon motion Rev. J. A. D. Williams was granted a supernumerary relationship.

Committee on Missions submitted report which was adopted.

Committees on Pastor's Report submitted report which was adopted.

Upon motion Rev. Lula Wardlow was elected to preach the Ordination sermon at the eleven o'clock hour Sunday.

Upon motion the Memorial service for our two deceased ministers was set for 9:30 A. M., Sunday, and Rev. Edwin H. Grant and the President were appointed to notify the families of the deceased.

Motion prevailed to fix place for the sitting of the 88th session of the Louisiana Annual Conference.

Grayson and New Hope were placed in nomination. Grayson was unanimously declared the place and the time was fixed to be Friday before 4th Sunday in October, 1934.

Revs. J. W. Lewis and G. J. L. Brown submitted verbal reports which were adopted.

The conference adjourned and the 11 o'clock hour was in charge of the womans missionary auxiliaries of the district. The play "All in a Day's Work," made a very deep impression upon the congregation.

#### **Second Day Afternoon Session**

Conference called to order by the President.

Devotionals by Rev. J. A. Holt. Special song by Garlington Shell.

The roll was called; upon motion the reading of the minutes of the morning session was omitted.

Committee on Education submitted report which was adopted.

Upon motion the characters of the several ministers who have failed to report to the conference for several years were passed for one more year with the provision that the president reprimand them.

Upon motion of Rev. J. W. Lee, Chatham, was declared the Home of our Ministerial Institute in keeping with the report of the committee on site elected at the last Institute session.

The resolution of Edwin H. Grant read and adopted and upon motion the secretary was instructed to send copy of said resolution to Rev. C. A. Calhoun to be presented at their annual conference Arkansas District.

At this time, Mrs. Grant, mother of Rev. Edwin H. Grant, was introduced.

Upon motion the recommendations handed down from the Southwest Group Conference were read and adopted.

Motion to adjourn adopted.

The pulpit was most ably filled at the evening hour by Rev. C. A. Calhoun of Haynesville, La.

### Second Day Night Session

Conference called to order by the president.

Conference treasurer submitted report which was adopted.

Secretary of the Board of Church Extension submitted report which was adopted.

The resolution offered by the women auxiliary adopted and upon motion the third Sunday in September be set as the day for the special offering for our Children's Home.

Upon motion space in our conference journals was granted to print the proceedings of the Louisiana Branch of our Women's work.

Rev. J. R. Downs, general rescue missionary and Supt. of the Home of the Good Samaritan submitted verbal report which was adopted.

The President announced that the stationing committee would be ready to report at the close of the 11 o'clock service, Sunday.

Motion to adjourn adopted.

### The Sabbath Day

The services of the day began with a very impressive memorial service dedicated to the memory of two of our deceased ministers Revs. James C. Hearn and O. W. Stewart. This service was conducted by Rev. Elijah O. Hearn assisted by other ministers.

Rev. Lula Wardlow, our pastor at Colfax, La., delivered the Ordination sermon at the 11 o'clock hour. At the close of this service Luther A. Boddie, C. T. J. Cotton and James A. Jones were ordained.

The Stationing Committee read their report and the morning services of the day closed with God's benediction upon us.

The pulpit was filled at the evening hour by Rev. Edwin H. Grant who brought an Evangelistic message which was honored of God.

## — REPORTS —

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

To the Eighty-Seventh Session of the Louisiana Annual Conference Methodist Protestant Church.

Greetings in Jesus Name:

The following week after the last session of our annual Conference I entered into the work and have given my time without reserve throughout the year. Our Heavenly Father has been so very kind to us, sparing all our ministers with exception of our beloved Brother J. C. Hearne, who was called to his reward in the early part of the year. And just at this time while writing my report, my phone rings and I am informed of the tragic demise of another of our Holy Brethren in the person of Rev. O. W. Stewart, who passed to his reward on October 18th, near Ferriday, La. To know Brother Stewart was to love him.

Considering the unusual conditions existing throughout the country, this has been a fairly good year. A number of good successful revivals have been held with a goodly number of additions to the church. I have traveled about twenty-one thousand miles, have held forty-eight quarterly conferences, assisted in five revival meetings, and have visited and preached in all the churches I could reach.

### Official Acts

In November, I released Rev. W. F. Ragsdale from the Bastrop work and appointed Rev. I. A. Patton pastor. On December 15th, I appointed Rev. J. C. Hearne, associate pastor of the Monroe church. Early in the year I appointed Rev. E. H. Grant, pastor of the Urania church; about the same time I released Rev. G. A. McVey from the Heflin church and appointed Rev. W. F. Ragsdale pastor. On January 1st, I appointed Rev. J. F. Reid pastor of Summerseat church. After Rev. J. C. Hearne took sick I released Rev. J. W. Lee from the Jena and Beulah churches and appointed him associate pastor of the Monroe church. About May 1st I appointed Rev. J. E. Garlington pastor of Jena and Beulah churches. In March I released Rev. F. L. Hearne from Cooley church and appointed Rev. G. A. McVey pastor. Early in the spring I appointed Mrs. M. E. Perdue pastor of the Courtland church. In July I released Rev. J. A. Holt from Border Lane church.

### Recommendations

I have only a few recommendations to offer, the first thing I would mention is that I feel that we should pray for a closer unity in our conference. Second, we should put forth an effort to get into new fields and establish new churches, for I am sure that there is yet plenty of room for the expansion of the Methodist Protestant Church. Third, our pastors should press upon our churches to observe the four special days designated for the purpose of raising money for our World Service Program. Fourth, we should have a Missionary Auxiliary in every church.

Yours for Christ and the Church,

F. Lyman Shows.

— APPOINTMENTS —

PLACE	CHURCHES	PASTOR	
Monroe	Monroe J. W. Lee, As. Pastor	I. L. Yeager	Acc
Arcadia	Bethlehem Black Lake Cross Roads Spring Hill	Not supplied	
Bentley	Dry Prong Bentley Spring Hill Ball	J. R. Strozier	Acc
Ansley	Ansley	I. L. Yeager	Acc
Strickland	Clear Creek Bethel Barons Chapel	G. A. McVey	Acc
Chatham	Chatham Concord Mt. Pleasant Zoor	B. F. Griffin	Acc
Grayson	Grayson	E. H. Grant	Acc
Kelley	Kelley Shiloh Sardis	F. L. Hearne	Acc
Jena	Jena Beulah	J. E. Garlington	Acc
Urania	Urania	F. L. Hearne	
Antioch.....	Antioch.....	E. O. Hearne	Acc

PLACE	CHURCHES	PASTOR	
Dodson	Dodson New Hope	E. H. Grant	
Bastrop	Bastrop Sunrise	I. A. Patton	Acc
Hicks ✓	Mt. Zion Hollings Chapel Winnfield Lewis Chapel	Jas. A. Jones	Acc
Colfax	Colfax	Mrs. Lula Wardlow	Acc
Jonesboro	Jonesboro	Mrs. M. E. Perdue	Acc
Pine Grove	Pine Grove Walnut Grove Hickory Grove Luna	Paul Durbin	Ac
Campbell	Campbells Chapel	Tommie Strickland	Ac
Heflin	Heflin	W. F. Ragsdale	Ac
Center Point		I. A. Patton	Ac
Mt. Nebo	Mt. Nebo Bethel	E. W. Corley	Ac
Queen City	Courtland Knights Bluff	Mrs. M. E. Perdue	Acc
Evergreen	Evergreen Antioch Summer Seat	C. J. Cotton	Acc
Pollock	Pollock	L. A. Boddie	Ac



CONFERENCE EVANGELISTS

Mrs. M. E. Bartlett, H. E. LaCroix, G. J. L. Brown, Mrs. Bessie Kendrick, Mrs. Ola Ramsey, J. B. Blackburn, Morris Lee.

CONFERENCE MISSIONARIES

J. H. Lewis, W. T. Weller, G. W. Rockhold, J. F. Reid,  
H. H. Cantley.

J. R. DOWNS, General Rescue Missionary and Superintendent of the Home of the Good Samaritan.

SUPERNUMERARY—J. A. D. Williams

WITHOUT APPOINTMENT

J. M. Strozier, Chas. Moore, R. M. Walker, R. H. Hearne

SUPERANNUATES

W. M. Platt, J. A. Riley, E. A. Dennard.

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY REV. EDWIN H. GRANT  
AND ADOPTED

Inasmuch as the Arkansas Conference is so divided, and since the geographical layout naturally brings the Southern part of the Arkansas Conference within convenient reach of the Louisiana Conference, several of the most influential ministers and laymen of the Arkansas Conference feel a union of the Louisiana and Southern end of Arkansas Conference is advisable immediately.

We recommend that the Louisiana Conference agree to accept ministers, churches and organizations of the Arkansas Conference if they, next month in their Conference agree to unite with our Conference.

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE LOUISIANA BRANCH  
OF THE WOMANS AUXILIARY—ADOPTED

1. The women of the Louisiana Branch recommend to our annual conference that one special day each year be set aside to raise funds for our childrens' home.

2. Due to the fact that we do not have a Journal, that our organization buy space in our conference journal for the proceedings of the society and a list of our officers, also the apportionments as collected and spent.

MRS. A. WELLS  
MRS. G. W. GRANT  
MRS. C. E. HEARNE

### REPORT OF ANNUAL CONFERENCE TREASURER

Amount reported received last conference, for  
General Conference Delegate Fund.....\$45.30  
Credits for General Conference Claims.....\$192.26  
Received for Annual Conference.....\$143.35  
Church Extension Fund .....\$28.27  
Conference Journal ..... 31.80  
Conference Secretary ..... 31.80  
Conference Treasurer ..... 14.13  
General Conference Delegate ..... 21.20  
Superannuated Fund ..... 14.13

I. L. YEAGER, Treasurer

### REPORT CHURCH EXTENSION BOARD

At the beginning of Conference Year 1932-33  
as was reported in treasury.....\$79.78  
October 28, 1932, Loan made Jonesboro church \$50.00  
Dec. 16, 1932, check to Rev. M. E. Perdue,  
to apply on conference journals ..... 8.82  
March, 27, 1932, loan to Bastrop church..... 10.00  
\$68.82  
Oct. 19, 1933, received from Colfax church .....\$10.00  
Oct. 21, 1933, authorized amount of annual conference  
claim for board church extension..... 28.27  
Oct. 21, 1933, balance in treasury.....\$48.27

I. L. YEAGER, Treasurer

### FINANCE REPORT

We, your committee on finance, submit the following report:

President's salary to be equivalent to fifteen per cent of the amount of the pastor's salary assessed.

Annual Conference claims apportioned to each charge to be one-half of the president's salary.

To be distributed the same as last year.

New Century Service \$1,000.00, apportioned the same as last year.

Each evangelist and missionary to be assessed ten per cent of what their receive for their services. To be applied to president's salary.

Respectfully submitted:

T. E. TERRY

JNO. HEAD

B. F. GRIFFIN

## EDUCATION REPORT

We, your committee on Education, after much thought and having carefully viewed the field, submit the following recommendations:

Inasmuch as the Methodist church was born out of necessity for the promotion of Scriptural Holiness and inasmuch as God has so signally blessed us we want to go on record as still adhering to the original fundamental teaching of Methodism.

We further recommend that every pastor use their influence to encourage their congregations to attend such institutions of learning as will establish them in the saving graces of Jesus Christ and cause them to earnestly groan after the perfecting of Holiness in this life.

We also recommend that the president be authorized to appoint a committee to investigate the advisability of opening a ministerial institute for the benefit of such members of our conference who feel the need of further study and can not attend a regular college or seminary.

We further recommend that all ministers coming to us for itinerancy and orders be advised and encouraged to attend such institutions as will give them such qualifications as are here mentioned.

We further recommend that our pastors preach at least one time to each of their congregations on fundamental christian education.

EDWIN H. GRANT  
W. W. McDONALD  
J. W. LEE.

## ITINERANCY AND ORDERS

1. We recommend that Luther A. Boddie, J. A. Jones and C. J. T. Cotton having satisfactory passed the prescribed course of study be elected to Elders Orders.

2. That Paul Durbin be passed to the 3rd year course of study.

3. That Ezell Garlington be passed to the 2nd year course of study and that Jack Wiggins be retained in the 2nd year's course.

4. That Charles Moore be retained in the 1st year course of study.

5. That T. E. Strickland, coming properly recommended by his quarterly conference, be granted probationary relationship to this conference. and be placed in the 1st year's course of study.

We further recommend that E. W. Corley having been given a letter of standing and returning with the same be received into the conference.

LULA WARDLOW

J. W. LEE

I. L. YEAGER

### PERIODICALS

Beloved, inasmuch as we are living in an age when there is continually coming from the printing presses of our country books, daily papers and magazines of all kinds that are poisonous and destructive to the moral and christian character of the people, and that homes are being supplied with such literature.

Therefore, we deem it necessary to urge every pastor to see that the homes on his charge be supplied with good clean christian literature, such as christian papers, magazines and books that can be shipped by our own publishing house and many others.

We further recommend that every pastor be a subscriber of the Methodist Protestant Recorder and that he urge the people of his charge to be regular readers of our church paper and that our own Sunday School literature be used where ever it is possible.

F. L. HEARNE

MRS. OLA RAMSEY

C. H. RUSHING

### TEMPERANCE

We the members of this committee wish to use the broad definition of the term Temperance by not referring merely to intoxicating liquor but to all habits which unite and tend to lower the moral and spiritual life of the individual.

We recommend that each minister and layman raise their voices against all evils over which the term temperance reaches.

As a conference, let us preach against all intemperance, such as drinking intoxicants, the use of tobacco, swearing, and using slang and by-words.

Let us as a conference pledge anew our allegiance to Jesus Christ our loyalty to the great cause of temperance and our personal vow of total abstinence from all alcoholic drink and deadly dope.

JAMES R. STROZIER  
MRS. JESS SANDERS  
J. T. MONTGOMERY

### MISSIONS

We, the committee on Missions submit the following recommendations:

First: That our pastors acquaint themselves with the Missionary program of our Church, and teach their people the urgent necessity of cooperating to the fullest extent in carrying out this program.

Second: That we apply ourselves to the task of organizing new auxiliaries where none exist and that we render full cooperation to the leaders of the Louisiana Branch.

Third: That since our Board of Missions is experiencing some extreme difficulties through the lack of funds to meet its obligations, each of the charges and stations make every effort possible to pay its assessments in full; and that all of the special days be observed, stress being laid upon the offering.

Fourth: That our conference go on record as being opposed to the report made by the Rethinkers of Missions', inasmuch as they have attempted to rethink and restate the theology underlying the foreign missionary enterprise. These appraisers have attempted to rule out the super-human, super-natural and divine part of the Missionary enterprise, the convicting power of the Holy Ghost in man's sinful heart, the bringing to birth of a new creature through conversion, the enduement from on high through a Penticostal experience, the power of prayer to change things and achieve victory in the face of defeat, the faith that makes otherwise impossible the wonder working Christ. These great truths they have attempted to push aside. Their emphasis is upon what trained men and women can accomplish without the aid of the Holy Spirit.

Fifth: That racial intolerance be abolished and that each preacher appoint himself as missionary to any and all races whenever and wherever he can do so without impairing his pastoral duties.

B. F. GRIFFIN  
JAS. A. JONES  
IRA BANKS

### COMMITTEE ON THANKS

We wish to express our heart-felt appreciation to the entire town of Jonesboro for the kindness shown this annual conference.

We especially extend our thanks to the pastor and the church for their untiring efforts in so completely supplying every need and making stay pleasant and comfortable.

We would not forget Rev. J. S. Henley, pastor of First Church, M. E., South, who so ably made the welcome address which carried with it inspiration and confidence.

Long live the memory of this 87th annual session of the Louisiana Conference.

May the precious spirit of God hover over and his richest blessings showered upon you.

MRS. LOCKHART RAMSEY  
B. E. GAAR  
S. L. YEAGER

### BY-LAWS

Section 1. No delegates shall be entitled to a seat in the annual conference without proper credentials or other satisfactory evidence of his election; and in case of alternate, the certificate shall so express it.

Section 2. Delegates to the annual conference shall be elected from the members in good standing and in full membership, over the age of fifteen years. In circuits, stations, and missions, it shall be the duty of the Steward to designate the time and place and give notice of election. The election shall be held under the direction of the Stewards; and they shall act as judges of the election and cause the same to be returned to the Fourth Quarterly Conference, there to be compiled and consolidated. The person or persons receiving a plurality vote shall be declared duly elected delegate or

delegates, and receive certificates accordingly; provided that in the case of a tie, members of Quarterly Conference, by a majority vote shall decide; and provided further, that in case the delegate and alternate elected from any work are providentially hindered from attending the annual conference to which they were elected, then the pastor in charge shall have the right to appoint a suitable person to represent the work in the conference. That no one, especially the men shall be allowed to vote for delegate who does not contribute regularly for the support of the pastor and the claims of the general and annual conference.

Section 3. No person shall be elected to orders, except they be persons of exceptional moral character, genuine piety, respectable attainment and sound in the belief of the fundamental doctrine of christianity and faithful in the discharge of gospel duties.

Section 4. No minister in good health shall be left without ministerial work for more than two years at the end of which time he shall resume his itinerate labors, or be transferred to the unstationed list, and if so transferred shall receive a certificate of his standing. This rule shall apply to any minister so transferred provided he, at his own request, may locate by vote of the conference.

Section 5. No minister or preacher appointed to a circuit, station or mission, shall cease from labors assigned him by the stationing authority until his term of service shall have expired, except by consent of the president, for reason by him deemed expedient.

Section 6. The Secretary shall furnish each pastor with a condensed blank Pastors report at least ten days prior to the opening of each session of the annual conference that each pastor during the morning of the second day of conference hand their reports to the committee on pastors reports and that as soon as passed upon by committees and conference, said report shall be delivered to conference steward for his action, then to the statistical secretary for final disposition. Should any pastor fail to comply with this rule for the first offense he shall be reprimanded by the president and for the second offense shall be located by a majority vote of the conference. That the evangelists and conference

missionaries read their reports to the conference. We recommend that when the president visits a pastoral charge, that he first converse freely with the pastor as to the spiritual and financial condition of the charge and that he insist on a strict obedience to the vows made when uniting with the church.

Section 7. The Board of Stewards of each Charge shall soon after the adjournment of the annual conference meet and in connection with the pastor proportion the assessment made by the Fourth Quarterly Conference for the support of the pastor. The proportion to be made to each class according to ability and willingness to pay and that the Stewards see that the same is paid promptly and in connection with Section 7, we recommend that each Steward keep a non-effective roll, noting those that are able and do not contribute to the support of the pastor, the president and to the general interest of the church and that the Stewards notify the pastor of the number of members that do not help support the church.

Section 8. On all subjects involving the financial interest of the church no one shall be entitled to vote except those who are eighteen years of age and are contributing members in full membership.

Section 9. Any member twenty-one years of age and in good standing and in full membership for one year is eligible to any office in the church and as a delegate to the annual conference; provided that where a church, circuit, station or mission has no member of said age, they may place in office in the church or elect as delegate to the annual conference such as are not twenty-one years of age and such as have not been members one year.

Section 10. Due notice shall be given previous to any action to be taken that involves the financial interest of the Church.

Section 11. The term of office of Conference Steward shall be one year.

Section 12. The Conference Steward shall be required to receive and hold all moneys collected for various benevolent purposes from the different charges, also Conference collections.



Section 13. It shall be the duty of the conference steward to settle all incidental expenses of the conference out of the conference collections during the session and present the remainder to the conference for disbursement.

Section 14. He shall pay over to the different boards or persons authorized to receive same all money received for the various benevolent purposes taking receipt and at which any other business in his hands shall make proper exhibit to the conference during the session at which he was appointed; also at the expiration of his term of office.

Section 15. At the first quarterly conference of each conference year the pastor shall call attention to the amount of the assessment made by the fourth quarterly conference for his support during the year. Immediately after each quarterly conference the pastor shall call attention of each class to the amount of his salary that is unpaid and in case the pastor neglects to do this, the Steward will not be held responsible if the full amount is not paid.

Section 16. There shall be appointed at each session of the annual conference a minister or preacher to preach an opening sermon at the sitting of the next annual session.

Section 17. The proceedings of the annual conference shall be recorded by the secretary and properly arranged for printing in the annual minutes for which she shall receive reasonable compensation and the minutes shall be signed by the President and the Secretary.

Section 18. The secretary shall take charge of all books and journals, records and proceedings of the conference and transmit the same to the conference at its next session.

Section 19. The President shall be stationing authority of the conference, calling to his aid as council one layman from each work represented.

Section 20. In stationing the ministers and preachers, there shall not be given to any one appointment who in the opinion of a majority of the members is incompetent for the duties thereof, or who they believe will neglect the appointments and such ministers and preachers may be transferred by conference to the unstationed list; provided that no minister or preacher who in the judgment of the conference is entitled to a superannuated relationship shall be transferred

Section 21. It will be the duty of the President to see that deeds be taken to all the church property belonging to the Methodist Protestant Church in the Louisiana District and have same recorded.

Section 22. That the President, Secretary, Conference Steward and Standing District Committee shall be elected at 3:00 o'clock p. m., on the first day of each annual session of the Louisiana Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church.

Section 23. These by-laws can only be changed, altered or amended by giving one day's notice in open Conference of such change, alteration or amendment and it will require a two-thirds vote of the members belonging to that session of the conference.

### RULES OF ORDER

Section 1. The conference shall be opened promptly on the day and time appointed, the president conducting the devotional services. The roll shall then be called, after which the president shall read the annual report.

Section 2. During the morning of the second day of conference all ministers and preachers under appointment of this conference shall hand their reports to the committee on Pastor's Report.

Section 3. On assigning the floor to any member of the conference he shall distinctly announce the member to whom it is assigned.

Section 4. All motions and resolutions shall be written if the President and Secretary request.

Section 5. When a motion is seconded or a resolution introduced and seconded, or a report presented and is read by the Secretary, or is stated by the President it shall be deemed in the possession of the Conference any time before the amendment or decision.

Section 6. All motions to postpone or lay on the table shall be taken without debate.

Section 7. No new motion or resolution shall be entertained until the one under consideration has been disposed of which may be done by adopting or rejecting, unless one of the following motions shall intervene, which are placed namely: First, indefinite postponement; second, laying on the table; third, referred to a committee; fourth, postponement to a given time; fifth, substitute; 6th, amendment. A substitute may be amended.

Section 8. When any member is about to speak in debate or deliver any matter to the Conference, he shall arise and respectfully address the President but shall not proceed until recognized by him.

Section 9. No member shall be interrupted while speaking except by the President to call him to order when he departs from the question or uses personalities or disrespectful language; but any member may call the attention of the president to the subjects when he deems a speaker out of order and any member may explain when he thinks himself misrepresented.

Section 10. When a member wishes to speak on a question of privilege he shall briefly state the question, but it shall not be in order for him to proceed until the President shall decide it a privileged question.

Section 11. No person shall speak more than twice on the same question nor more than five minutes at one time, without leave of the conference; nor shall any member speak more than once until every member choosing to speak have spoken; provided however, that the mover of a resolution or a committee making a report shall in all cases be entitled to five minutes to close the debate.

Section 12. When a motion or resolution shall have been voted upon by the conference it shall be in order for any member who voted with the prevailing side to move a reconsideration but a motion to reconsider is a non-debatable motion, and must be decided without debate.

Section 13. No person shall absent himself from the conference without leave, unless he is sick or unable to attend.

Section 14. No member shall be allowed to vote on any question who is not within the Bar when such question is put by the President except by leave of the Conference when he shall be necessarily absent.

Section 15. Every member who is in the bar at the time the question is put shall give his vote, unless the conference for special reason excuse him.

Section 16. It shall be in order for any member to call for the ayes and nays on any question before the conference and if the call be sustained by one-third of the members present, the vote shall be taken by the ayes and nays.

Section 17. It shall be in order to move the question be taken without further debate on any measure pending before the conference except in cases where character is involved.

Section 18. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order and shall be decided without debate.

Section 19. The president shall appoint the chairman of committees on subjects of general interest and notify each chairman of his appointment at least ten days before each session of the conference.

Section 20. The committee on examination shall be appointed one year in advance and meet at next annual conference one day prior to convening of that body and that the under-graduates meet such committee for the purpose of being examined in their studies.

Section 21. No minister or preacher who are members of this conference shall intrude themselves on any station, circuit or mission without first receiving an invitation or permission from the pastor in charge.

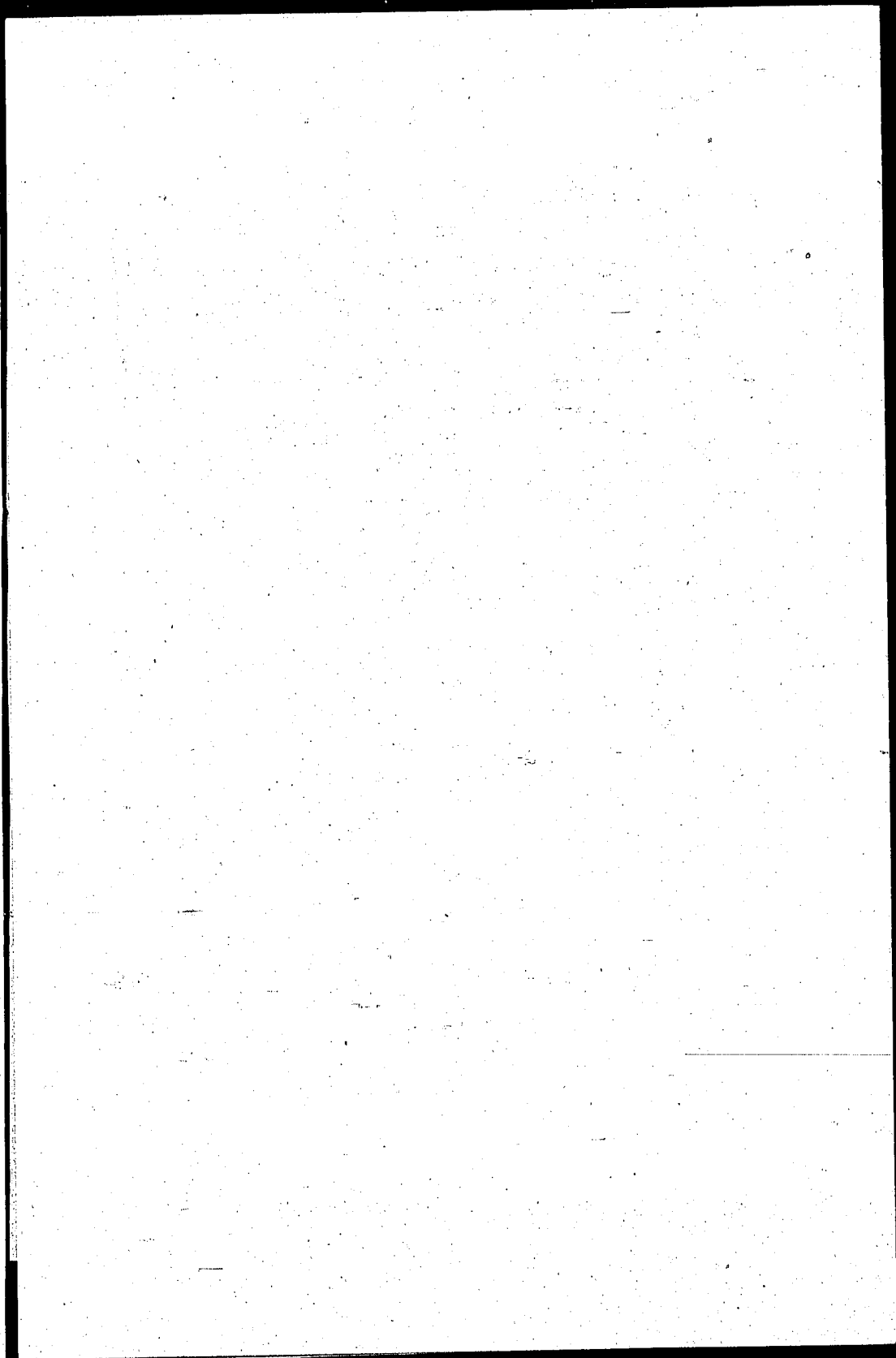


TABLE I. MEMBERSHIP

TABLE II.--PROPERTY

CHARGE	PASTOR	No. Appointments	Members Reported Last Year	No. Additions	No. Removed	Present Membership	No. Professions	No. Baptisms	No. Sunday Schools	No. Officers, Teachers	No. Scholars	No. C. E. Societies	No. Membership	No. Missionary Societies	No. Members	No. Ladies Aids	No. Members	Subs to Church Papers	No. Church Buildings	Value Church Buildings	Debt on Churches	Insurance of Churches	No. Parsonages	Value Parsonages	Insurance on Parsonages	Value of Other Property
Ansley.....	Yeager, Ira L.....	1	84	4	2	86	30	3	1	12	50	3	30	2	30	1	18	1	1	\$ 2500			1			
Arcadia.....	Griffin, B. F.....	4	182	24	3	203	50	16	1	7	64	1	64	1	10	1	18	4	4	4500			1	\$ 1600	\$1000	
Bastrop.....	Patton, I. A.....	2	197			197			2	5	60							2	2	3000	\$100	\$1200				
Bentley.....	Strozier, J. R.....	4	165	6	2	169	10	4	1	7	60	1	65	1	8			4	4	5000				1000		
Chatham.....	Lee, M. G.....	4	230	22	3	249	78	10	4	28	195	4	150	1	23	1	10	4	4	5000		1000	1	2000		
Campbell.....	Patton, I. A.....	3	234	6		240	10	5	2	8	100	2	90					3	3	5800						\$100
Colfax.....	Wardlow, Lula.....	1	17	2		19	6							1	10			1	1	1200	29					
Dodson.....	Hearne, E. O.....	2	95	14	6	103	1	1	1	7	55			1	15			1	1	1000						
Evergreen.....	Walker, R. M.....	1	52	16		68	14	9	1	4	20											1	200			
Grayson.....	Grant, Edwin.....	1	156	4	4	156	16	2	1	10	107	2	35	3	54			8	1	5000		2000	2	3500		
Heflin.....	Ragsdale, W. F.....	1	45		1	44	10		1	5	50							1	1	500						
Hicks.....	Hearne, F. L.....	2	233	6		239	24	2	2	16	131	2	63	2	26			2	2	1750						
Jonesboro.....	Perdue, M. E.....	1	56	2	1	57		2	1	5	50	1	20			1	10	1	1	1000		1750	1	1000		150
Jena.....	Garlington, J. E.....	2	64	9		73	18	6	1	5	25			1	4			2	2	1800						
Kelly.....	Lee, J. W.....	2	110	2		112	2	1	2	13	115	1	80	1	15			2	2	1500						50
Monroe.....	Yeager, Ira L.....	1	77	23	6	94	25	3	1	9	100	3	55	2	20			1	1	7500	600	1000	1	3500	1000	
Mt. Nebo.....	McVey, G. A.....	3	82	3		85	15	3	3	17	120	3	75	1	24			3	3	250						
Queen City.....	Perdue, M. E.....	2	89	8		97		8	2	6	40							2	2	1000						
Pine Grove.....	Durbin, Paul.....	4	110	29	1	138	63	16	4	23	160	1	34					4	4	2000						
Roberts Mission.....	No Report.....																									
Strickland.....	Bodie, L. A.....	4	276	19		295	20	10	3	22	145	2	52	1	28			2	4	2750			1	500		
Urania.....	Grant, Edwin.....	1	58	1	2	57	1		1	6	58			1	20			1	1	1500	1000					
Winfield.....	Jones, James A.....	2	75	2	2	75	15		2	11	90							2	2	1000						
TOTAL.....		48	2697	202	33	2866	408	101	37	226	1795	26	812	19	287	3	38	23	46	\$55550	\$829	\$6950	8	\$13300	\$2000	\$300

# TABLE III. --- FINANCE

CHARGE	PASTOR	Promised Pastor	Parsonage Rent	Paid Pastor in Cash	Raised for Church Building	Raised for Church Improvement	Raised on Church Debt	Raised for Current Expense	Raised by S. S.	Raised by C. E. Society	Raised by Ladies Aid	Raised for President	Raised for Annual Conference Claims	Raised by H.M. Easter Offering	Raised for F. M. Childrens Day	Raised for Education Rally Day	Womans Missionary Society	Raised for Other General Conference Interests	Total Amount Raised
Ansley.....	Yeager, Ira L.....	\$ 480		\$ 484.10				\$ 88.55	\$ 47.59	\$ 16.26		\$100.00	\$ 38.15	\$ 3.00	\$ 2.85		\$ 74.05		\$ 854.55
Arcadia.....	Griffin, B. F.....	575	\$100	495.80	\$ 84.00	\$248.00			17.50	56.22		50.00	12.15						1,063.67
Bastrop.....	Patton, I. A.....			50.00	150.00														200.00
Bentley.....	Strozier, J. R.....	385	60	272.50		69.05		26.00	16.72	17.00		23.86		5.00	2.00	3.50	28.95	2.00	526.58
Chatham.....	Lee, M. G.....	500	36	427.00		37.50		51.00	85.50	27.86	\$10	58.00	1.00				110.18		844.04
Campbell.....	Patton, I. A.....	450		200.00					10.00	7.50		28.82							246.32
Colfax.....	Wardlow, Lula.....	100		100.00			\$ 10	55.00				20.00		5.00	5.00			5.00	200.00
Dodson.....	Hearne, E. O.....			189.00				37.00	30.12			28.75	2.50	2.20		1.10	10.00		300.67
Evergreen.....	Walker, R. M.....	30		14.50								2.49						1.45	18.44
Grayson.....	Grant, Edwin.....	900		1000.00		81.56	35	130.80	216.88	19.01		100.00	141.08	31.45	32.59	13.48	121.10	120.08	2051.03
Heflin.....	Ragsdale, W. F.....	65		35.15															
Hicks.....	Hearne, F. L.....	275	5	280.35				18.75	36.95	19.59		31.68					34.94		427.26
Jonesboro.....	Perdue, M. E.....	300		300.00		86.65	19	65.10				36.25	14.34						515.70
Jena.....	Garlington, J. E.....	250		83.00					25.00			7.00							115.00
Kelly.....	Lee, J. W.....	200		152.63					40.00	20.00		17.00	5.75			6.36			241.74
Monroe.....	Yeager, Ira L.....	900	108	534.36				188.80	128.47	15.00		38.23	16.70	10.00	14.00		82.90		1028.46
Mt. Nebo.....	McVey, G. A.....	415		326.05	27.75		110	23.00	36.00	25.00		41.00		3.59	.75	.50	33.27		626.91
Queen City.....	Perdue, M. E.....			75.00				10.00	12.00										97.00
Pine Grove.....	Durbin, Paul.....	200		157.30		70.00			50.00	10.00		30.40	2.00						318.70
Roberts Mission.....	No Report.....																		
Strickland.....	Bodie, L. A.....	440	4	222.73				20.00	61.72	15.00		49.12		10.00	3.00	6.00	30.00		417.57
Urania.....	Grant, Edwin.....	240		73.70					27.00										100.70
Winfield.....	Jones, James A.....	150		133.53					15.43			13.90							162.86
TOTAL.....		\$855	\$313	\$5598.06	\$261.75	\$592.76	\$174	\$714.00	\$856.88	\$248.44	10	\$676.50	\$233.67	\$70.24	\$60.19	\$30.94	\$525.39	\$128.53	\$10,474.20

## THE TRIALS OF TODAY

In the trials of today,  
Oh, what will you do  
Get wounded in the battle,  
Fall down there and lay?  
Or will you be the hero  
That God his life did save,  
Crowned his head with victory,  
Keep his body from the grave?

Do we only have these trials,  
When the country we do roam?  
No, the hardest ones to conquer  
Are the trials we find at home.  
If you climb the ladder of success,  
You must with trials walk abreast.  
Don't pray that God your troubles move,  
For you a coward already have proven.

Or rather a prayer like this,  
With faith you must pray,  
Oh, dear Father, protect me  
In the thickest of the fray.  
Thou hast promised to be with me  
In the darkest kind of day,  
So I will not surrender  
If Thou wilt go with me all the way.

The battle will soon be over  
And you the victory win,  
If you put your trust in Jesus  
And keep on fighting sin.  
Sometimes you get so tired  
And other times you feel so blue,  
Just take your case to Jesus,  
He will tell you what to do.

—EDITH MABEL GARDNER

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